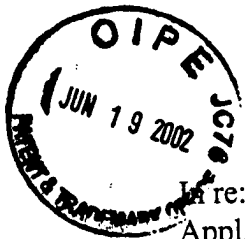




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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In The Specification:**

In the specification, at page 1, line 4, after the words "This application" and before "is", please insert --is a divisional application of U.S. Application No. 09/276,820, filed March 26, 1999, entitled "COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR NON-TARGETED ACTIVATION OF ENDOGENOUS GENES" which--; and on line 5, in the blank, please insert --09/263,814--.

**In The Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-29 and 36-57, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.